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CONTAINING FORMATION

WITH A SELECTED

HYDROGEN TO CARBON

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Sir:

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Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

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In the Specification:

Listed below is a clean copy of the amended paragraphs of the Specification. A marked-up copy indicating the amended paragraph of the Specification is provided in an accompanying document.

On page 38, please delete the paragraph beginning on line 14 and substitute therefor:

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